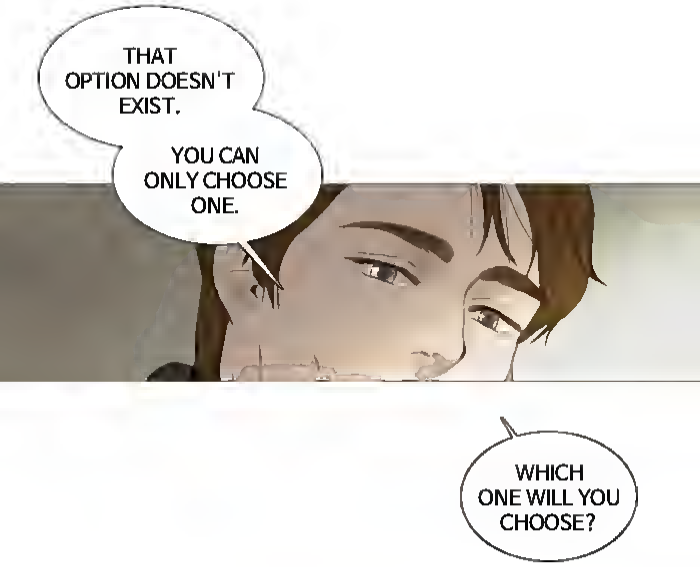
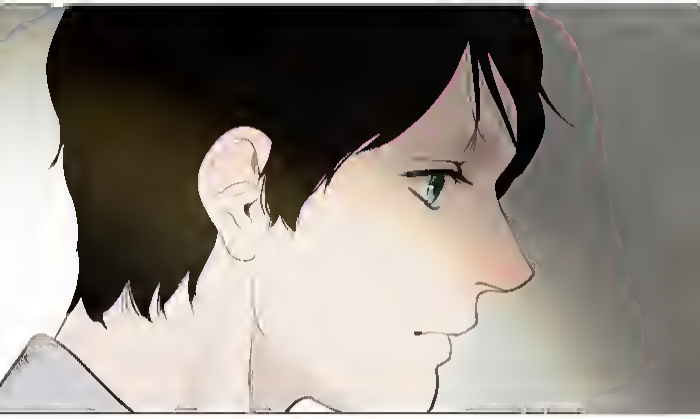
...I WANT TO STAY HERE WITH JANE AND ROY AND EVERYONE ELSE WITHOUT ANY FEAR OR ANXIETY.


THAT OPTION DOESN'T EXIST.
YOU CAN ONLY CHOOSE ONE.
WHICH ONE WILL YOU CHOOSE?

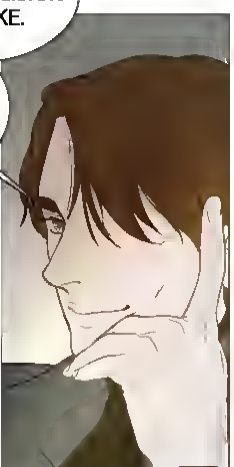


...I'M NOT SURE.

I'M REALLY NOT SURE.

IT'S A TOUGH DECISION TO MAKE.

BUT YOU WILL SOON BE ABLE TO GIVE ME A CLEAR ANSWER.



COME AND FIND ME WHEN YOU GET THE ANSWER.

I'LL HELP YOU NO MATTER WHAT YOU CHOOSE.

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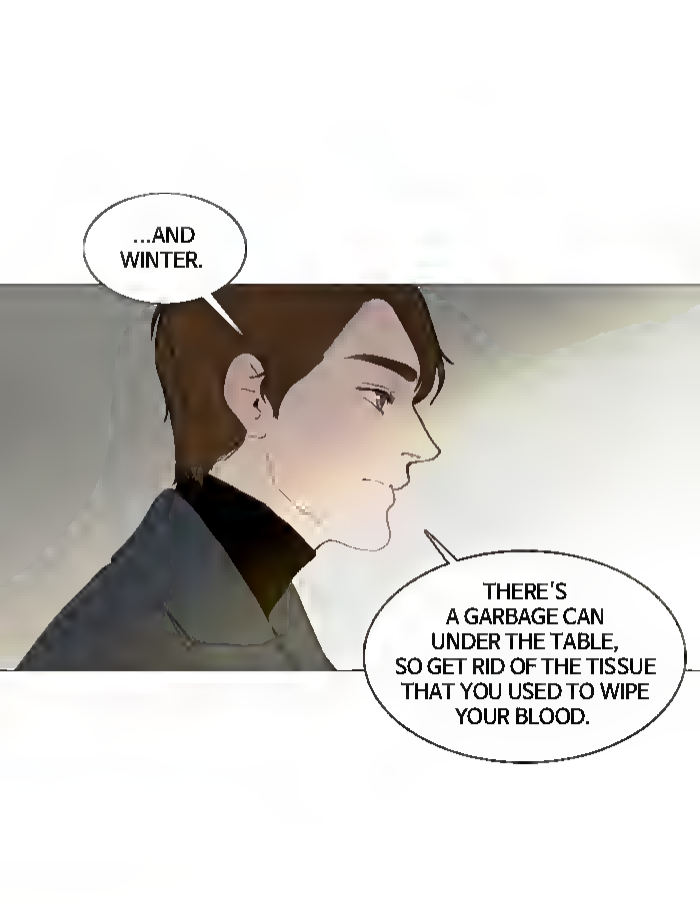
I'LL WAIT UNTIL YOU GIVE ME AN ANSWER SO TAKE YOUR TIME AND THINK IT OVER CAREFULLY.


...AND
WINTER.
THERE'S
A GARBAGE CAN
UNDER THE TABLE,
SO GET RID OF THE TISSUE
THAT YOU USED TO WIPE
YOUR BLOOD.

WHAT?

A VISITOR HAS ARRIVED.
SSK

STEP
STEP

TAP

REMEMBER

I CAN HELP YOU
WITH WHATEVER
YOU CHOOSE.

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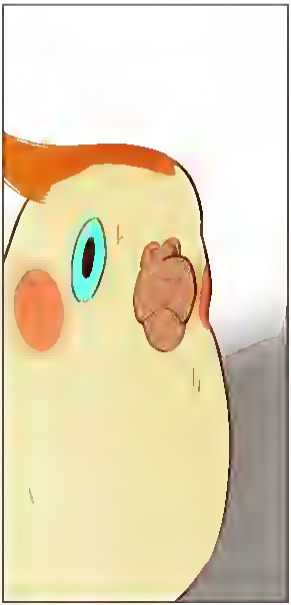

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO YOU?
NOTHING HAPPENED.
I'M FINE.

ARE YOU TWO SO CLOSE THAT YOU CAN MEET LIKE THIS...
AND HAVE A PRIVATE CONVERSATION?

WELL.....
DON'T GET ME WRONG.
I SIMPLY RAN INTO WINTER WHEN HE WAS SEEING JANE OFF TO WORK.

THEN
YOU SHOULD
HAVE BOTH GONE YOUR
SEPARATE WAYS AS SOON
AS YOU MET. WHAT ARE
YOU DOING HERE
TOGETHER?

NOTHING HAPPENED THAT'S WORTH WORRYING ABOUT, ROY.
I SIMPLY HAD A CUP OF TEA.
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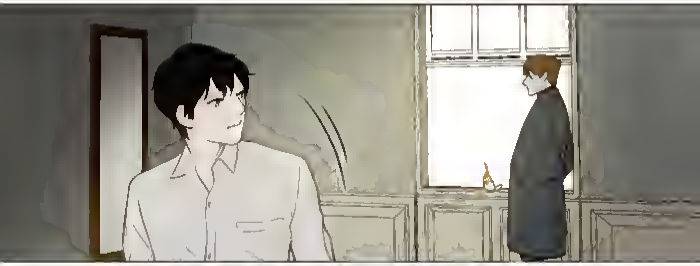
ANYWAY, JUST GO HOME.
I HAVE SOME BUSINESS HERE SO I'LL BE THERE LATER.

I'LL GO AND WAIT FOR YOU.



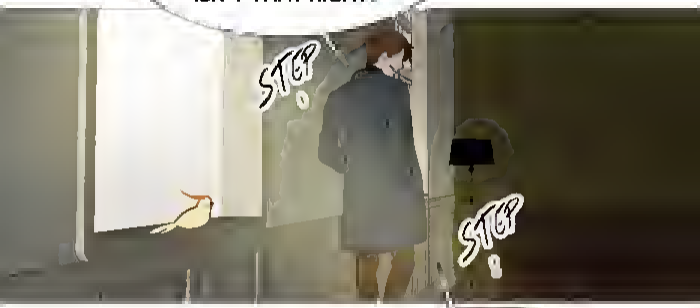
SO, WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS BRINGS YOU HERE?

WHAT DO YOU THINK? LIKE LAST TIME-
YOU CAME TO ASK FOR SOME KIND OF RIDICULOUS FORGIVENESS?

FORGET IT, ROY. YOU DON'T EVEN MEAN IT.
STILL, THIS SEEMS LIKE THE BEST THING THAT I CAN DO.
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU'LL BELIEVE ME, BUT IT TOOK A LOT OF COURAGE FOR ME TO COME HERE.

WELL, THAT COURAGE OF YOURS IS USELESS.

YOU WOULD MAKE THE SAME CHOICE ANYWAY EVEN IF YOU COULD GO BACK TO WHEN YOU, ME AND OUR MASTER LIVED TOGETHER. ISN'T THAT RIGHT?



YOU WOULD ABANDON ME IN ORDER TO SURVIVE, AND I WOULD LIVE MISERABLY AFTER BEING ABANDONED.

YOU'RE STILL JUST A PILE OF SELFISHNESS WHO ONLY THINKS OF HIMSELF, JUST LIKE THEN.

THE DESIRE TO GO ON LIVING ISN'T WRONG IN ITSELF, YOU KNOW.
PLUS, UNLIKE YOU, I CAN'T SURVIVE IF I'M LEFT ALO-

THAT'S ENOUGH.
NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU TRY TO APPEAL TO SYMPATHY, I HAVE NO INTENTION OF HEARING ANY OF IT.

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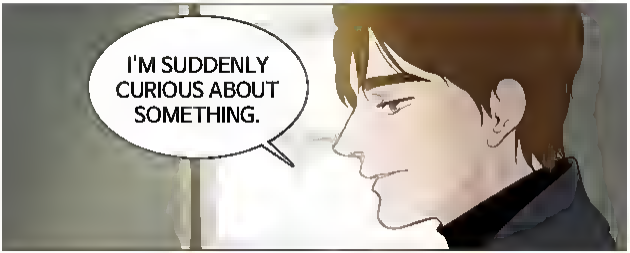
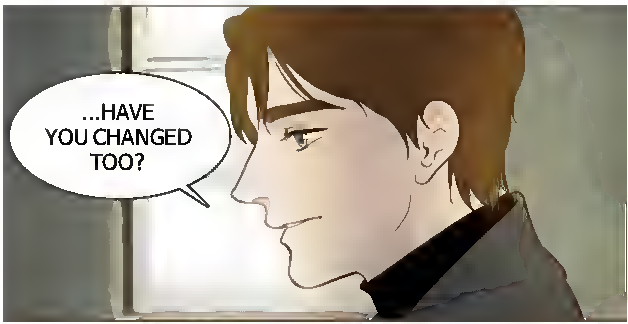
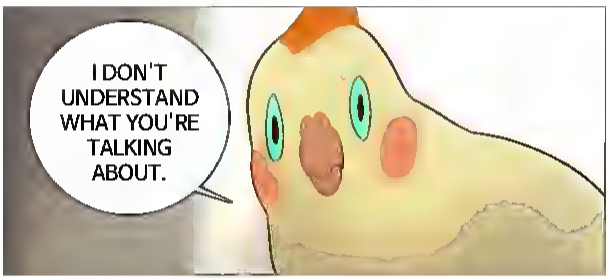

I'M SUDDENLY CURIOUS ABOUT SOMETHING.


...HAVE
YOU CHANGED
TOO?

WHAT?
IT SEEMS A BIT STRANGE TO SAY THIS TO YOU. BUT I THINK I'VE CHANGED A BIT.
EVEN I'VE CHANGED WHEN I DIDN'T THINK I EVER WOULD.
SO I WONDER IF YOU HAVE CHANGED TOO.



ROY. I CAN'T FORGIVE YOU NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU APOLOGIZE AND SAY THAT YOU'RE SORRY.

BUT IT SUDDENLY OCCURS TO ME
THAT MAYBE EVEN YOU, ONCE SO WRAPPED UP IN SELFISHNESS, COULD GRADUALLY CHANGE SOMEDAY.
WHEN THAT TIME COMES, YOU WILL BE VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE WAY THAT YOU ARE NOW.

WHAT ON EARTH IS THE POINT OF SAYING ALL THIS?
I WANT TO SEE YOU WHEN YOU'VE CHANGED.

ENOUGH OF THESE USELESS FAKE APOLOGIES.
I WANT TO SEE EVEN THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOU CAN CHANGE.
IF I SEE THAT POSSIBILITY, THEN MAYBE... I WILL BE ABLE TO LET YOU GO.

POSSIBILITY?
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THAT MEANS...?

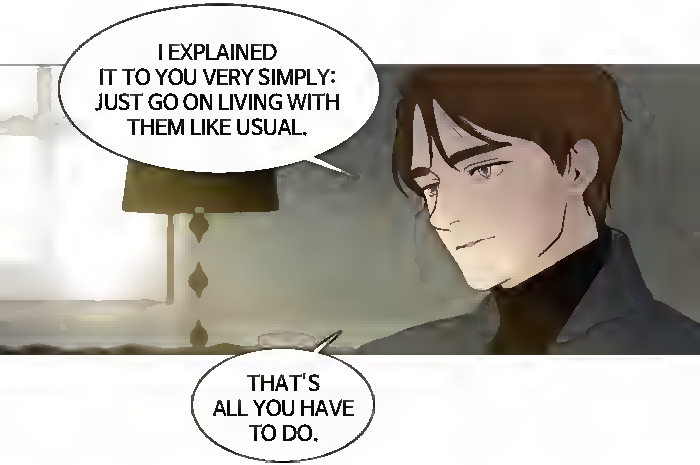
THERE'S NO NEED TO THINK ABOUT IT TOO HARD. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS GO ON LIVING LIKE NOW.
I'LL DECIDE WHETHER YOU'VE CHANGED.

I'M DONE SAYING WHAT I WANTED TO SAY TO YOU.
NOW GO TO WINTER.
I CAN'T LEAVE LIKE THIS! I STILL-

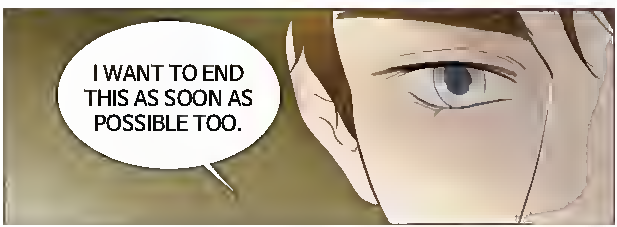
ROY. I'M IN A VERY GOOD MOOD RIGHT NOW.

THAT'S WHY I'M KINDLY TELLING YOU THIS.

THERE'S NO TELLING HOW I MIGHT CHANGE IF YOU DEMAND ANY MORE THAN THIS.


I EXPLAINED IT TO YOU VERY SIMPLY: JUST GO ON LIVING WITH THEM LIKE USUAL.
THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TO DO.

AT ANY RATE, I STILL HATE YOU.
HOWEVER, I WOULD NOW LIKE TO FOCUS THE ATTENTION THAT I HAD BEEN DEVOTING TO YOU TO SOMEWHERE ELSE.


I WANT TO END THIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TOO.

WELL,
ENJOY YOURSELF
UNTIL I MAKE MY
DECISION.
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FLUTTER~

I HOPE YOU CAN SHOW ME VERY SOON.

BECAUSE WINTER DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT NOW.

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